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**RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING
REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371**

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371, mailed in the above-identified U.S. patent application on November 5, 2001, there is submitted herewith a verified translation of the German text of PCT/DE/00847 which was filed on March 18, 2000 and published on September 28, 2000 as WO 00/56651. Entry of this verified translation into the file of the subject application. A copy of the Notification is enclosed.

It is believed that no fee is required in connection with this submission. If any fee is in fact required, it is authorized to be charged to the deposit account No. 10-1213 of the undersigned.

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The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495):

- U.S. Basic National Fees
- Priority Document
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- Copy of the International Application
- Copy of the International Search Report
- Oath or Declaration
- Request for Immediate Examination

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Translation of the application into English.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 22nd or 32 MONTHS (where 37 CFR 1.495 applies) FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

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